

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Investigation on the Commission's own motion into the operations, practices, and conduct of Qwest Communications Corporation (Qwest), U-5335-C and its wholly owned subsidiary, LCI International Telecommunications Corporation, doing business as Qwest Communications Services (LCIT), U-5270-C to determine whether Qwest and LCIT have violated the laws, rules and regulations governing the manner in which California consumers are switched from one long distance carrier to another and billed for long distance telephone services.

Investigation 00-11-052  
(Filed November 21, 2000)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING SETTING DATE  
(1) FOR THE GREENLINING INSTITUTE AND LATINO ISSUES FORUM TO  
SUPPLEMENT THEIR REQUEST FOR INTERVENOR COMPENSATION AND  
(2) FOR RESPONSES TO THE INTERVENOR COMPENSATION REQUEST**

**Summary**

This ruling provides that the Greenlining Institute and Latino Issues Forum (Greenlining/LIF) shall supplement their December 23, 2002 Request for Intervenor Compensation (December 23 request) with respect to information concerning Christopher P. Witteman (Witteman) no later than Friday, January 31, 2003. This ruling also provides that parties responding to Greenlining/LIF's Request for Intervenor Compensation shall do so no later than 30 days after Greenlining/LIF have supplemented their December 23 request.

### **Greenlining/LIF Intend to Supplement Their December 23 Request**

In their December 23 request, Greenlining/LIF state that they are not currently requesting compensation for Witteman because Witteman no longer is employed at Greenlining, and Greenlining is having difficulties obtaining a breakdown of the hours he worked on this proceeding. Greenlining/LIF state they will file a supplement to their request as soon as possible with respect to Witteman.

### **Discussion**

The Commission and other parties need to evaluate Greenlining/LIF's request in its entirety and knowledge of the amount of hours and breakdown thereof for Witteman is an essential element of that request. For instance, this hourly information is necessary to evaluate issues such as substantial contribution and determining whether the hours spent are reasonable.

Witteman was very active in this proceeding as demonstrated by his own declaration in support of Greenlining/LIF's December 23 request. (See Attachment H to the December 23 request.) Witteman estimates he spent between 550 and 650 hours on the proceeding and believes an hourly rate of between \$285 and \$300 per hour is reasonable. On these facts, a request for compensation for Witteman's work alone may total as much as \$195,000, which is about twice as much as the \$100,149.47 that Greenlining/LIF seek in their December 23 request.

Therefore, Greenlining/LIF shall supplement their December 23 request with respect to Witteman no later than Friday, January 31, 2003.<sup>1</sup> Parties

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<sup>1</sup> After I am able to review the application in its entirety (i.e., as supplemented), I may request additional information or clarification.

responding to Greenlining/LIF's request for intervenor compensation shall do so no later than 30 days after Greenlining/LIF have supplemented their request with respect to Witteman.

**IT IS RULED** that:

1. The Greenlining Institute and Latino Issues Forum (Greenlining/LIF) shall supplement their December 23 request with respect to Christopher P. Witteman (Witteman) no later than Friday, January 31, 2003.

2. Parties responding to Greenlining/LIF's request for intervenor compensation shall do so no later than 30 days after Greenlining/LIF have supplemented their request with respect to Witteman.

Dated January 3, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JANET A. ECONOME

Janet A. Econome  
Administrative Law Judge

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have by mail, and by electronic mail, to the parties to which an electronic mail address has been provided, this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Setting Date (1) for the Greenlining Institute and Latino Issues Forum to Supplement Their Request for Intervenor Compensation and (2) for Responses to the Intervenor Compensation Request on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated January 3, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ KE HUANG

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## **N O T I C E**

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